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TO: Interested Parties
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DATE: December 10, 2001
SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP MEETING FOR NUTRIENTS TMDL ON THE SANTA CLARA RIVER

A public meeting is planned to discuss the public participation in support of a TMDL for nutrients to be presented to the Regional Board in March 2003. The goal of the TMDL is to maintain the water quality objectives for ammonia, nitrate, nitrite, dissolved oxygen and pH in the Santa Clara River while protecting all beneficial uses.

The attendees of the first kick-off meeting on November 15, 2001 discussed the available data and the format for stakeholder and Regional Board collaboration. Two alternatives for public participation were discussed; (1) periodic review by stakeholders of a TMDL prepared by Regional Board staff and (2) a consultant facilitator funded by a stakeholder steering committee, all of whom participate in the preparation and review of a nitrogen model.

Examples of the technical approaches will be discussed on December 17, 2001. The Los Angeles River nutrient TMDL is an example of the dynamic/multivariate model, the Calleguas Creek nutrient TMDL is an example of the mass balance model, and the Santa Monica Bay bacteria TMDL is an example of the product produced by a steering committee. Costs beyond that contributed by the Regional Board for these approaches will be discussed.

The status of ongoing quality assessment of surface and groundwater along the Santa Clara River will also be discussed. All participants are invited to give comments. Our thanks again to the County of Ventura for allowing us to schedule this meetings in their facilities.

Santa Clara River
Nutrient TMDL

Monday, December 17, 2001, 9 to 11 a.m., at the
Ventura County Administration Building, Lower Plaza Assembly Room
(Ground Floor to the left at the bottom of the escalator off the main lobby)
800 South Victoria Blvd., Ventura

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